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Group Art Unit: 2818

Examiner: Mai Huong C. Tran

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

REQUIREMENT

In Re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicant(s): Akio NAKAMURA

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For:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND

ITS MANUFACTURING METHOD

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated January 28, 2005, Applicant elects the invention of Group I, i.e., the subject matter of claims 1 through 9, for further examination. The election is made without traverse.

Examination of the application on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

February 28, 2005 Date

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